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Sir:

Please inform the undersigned when the initial Action on the merits of the aboveidentified application may be expected. The application has now been pending approximately 41 months without an action on the merits.

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